



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: G. Duke VIRCA,
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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EXAMINING GROUP: 1652

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For: METHODS OF SCREENING FOR ANTAGONISTS AND AGONISTS OF
POLYPEPTIDES HAVING KINASE FUNCTIONS

**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND
INTERFERENCES**

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, claims 1 through 7, 11 through 20, and 24 through 29, of the above-identified application. These claims are subject to a final rejection dated February 24, 2004. A petition to extend the time for response to the final rejection by three months is being submitted concurrently herewith, extending the period for response to August 24, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(b), please charge the fee of \$330 that is required for the filing of this Notice of Appeal to our Deposit Account No. 09-0089. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

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